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| <p align="center">REQUEST For CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</p> <p align="center">Address to:</p> <p align="center">BOX RCE</p> <p align="center">COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS</p> <p align="center">WASHINGTON, DC 20231</p> <p>(Revised 10/2001)</p> | Application Number 09/320,637 |
| | Filing Date May 26, 1999 |
| | First Named Inventor: Sternheimer |
| | Art Unit: 1633 |
| | Examiner Name: J. Martinell |
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This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendments(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on November 2, 2001
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ____
- iii. ☐ Other ____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply (copy of Amendment After Final dated November 2, 2001)
- ii. ☐ Affidavits(s)/Declarations(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS); of cites listed on PTO Form 1449
- iv. ☐ Other

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other ____

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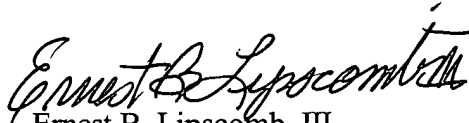
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiencies, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
(\$740.00 large entity; \$370.00 small entity)
- ii. ☐ Extension of Time Fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other ____

b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$370.00 enclosed

Respectfully submitted,


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